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### **Engaging families**

Logan Hellstrom shrieks with laughter, evading the noodle during the Sword in the Stone game, which was from the third installment of four parental engagement activity nights hosted by the Minden school on Wednesday, March 7. More on page 20.

**Darren Lum** Staff

# **Scott vote gets Liberals riled**

**Chad Ingram** Staff reporter

Last week, Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock MPP Laurie Scott came under heavy fire from the local Liberal riding association and defeated rival Rick Johnson for voting against the legislation of the Eastern Ontario Development Fund.

That vote, which took place in Queen's Park on March 5, was to legislate the fund - making it a permanent provincial program - as well as establish a similar fund in southwestern Ontario.

Despite opposition from the PC caucus, the bill passed second reading and will go to the committee stage.

According to the release, the fund, through which businesses can apply to province's economic development and innovation ministry for assistance, has helped to create or retain nearly 12,000 jobs in the region since it began in 2008.

'The Liberals won't tell us how much is left in [the fund]," Scott told the paper. "We've caught them saying everything from \$18 million to \$23 million. We said, 'well, why aren't you using

The EODF was to provide \$20 million a year over four years.

According to Scott, the Liberal party is politicizing the issue.

"They're actually pitting region against region," she said. "I don't have anything against southwestern Ontario. They've had job losses too as all of Ontario has. The Liberals made it political to get us to vote against eastern Ontario. We're saying, let's be responsible. You don't need legis-

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### Separating nutrition fact from fiction helps local residents get the real deal

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Nutrition misinformation is everywhere, and like never before, it can easily be accessed on the Internet, social media sites, television and magazines.

This situation can make healthy eating a challenge for local residents, and it is why during Nutrition Month in March, registered dietitians with the Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District Health Unit want to help people separate food fact from fiction.

'The number of myths related to food and healthy eating is frustrating, and it is important that people know where to go for the most reliable sources of information," says Elsie Azevedo, a registered dietitian with the HKPR District

For specific healthy eating questions, Registered dietitians are excellent sources of information. Registered dietitians are trained to advise on diet, food and nutrition, and are regulated by the College of Dietitians of Ontario, Azevedo notes.

To speak to a registered dietitian, local residents are encouraged to contact the health unit (1-866-888-4577 or www.hkpr.on.ca) or get in touch with Eat Right Ontario (1-877-510-5102 or www.eatrightontario.ca).

"Getting credible, accurate information is important because nutrition myths will needlessly create more confusion and lead people to make poor choices that contribute to unhealthy lifestyles," Azevedo adds.

One popular myth is that cutting out carbohydrates will help people lose weight.

According to Dietitians of Canada, the truth is that cutting "carbs" might help you lose weight in the short term, but it is mainly due to eating less food and fewer calories. In fact, drastically cutting carbs means missing out on key nutrients found in whole grains, fruit, starchy vegetables and legumes.

Over the long-term, sticking to a low-carb diet can be difficult because so many foods are off limits, and eventually people go back to their normal eating habits and gain the weight back.

### **Liver Health and Hep C Team 4 Week Lunch and Learns Haliburton & Minden**

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"There is no magic formula," Azevedo explains.

"Attaining a healthy weight means going back to basics such as following Eating Well With Canada's Food Guide and being active most days of the week."

Registered dietitians across Canada were recently polled on common food myths they encounter with clients, families and friends

Thirty-nine of the most common myths, along with the related facts, are posted online (www.dietitians.ca). Along with the cutting "carb" myth, they include the following:

- Myth: Taking a daily vitamin provides all the nutrients a person needs. The truth is that vitamin and mineral supplements cannot replace the benefits of eating healthy food. Following recommendations in Canada's Food Guide provide key nutrients and a diet that is rich in vitamins and minerals. However, there are times when it maybe necessary to take supplements, such as for pregnant women and adults over the 50 years of age. It is best to talk to a doctor or registered dietitian about your needs before taking supplements.
- Myth: You need to detox your body. The truth is that a person's insides are not dirty and do not need to be cleaned. "There is no scientific evidence to support the need for detoxification diets, most of which do more harm than good," Azevedo says. "Detox diets usually involve fasting, followed by astrict diet. This can cause headaches, dehydration, low blood pressure or an irregular heart beat." Instead, people can keep their bodies feeling great by enjoying a variety of healthy foods outlined in Canada's Food Guide.
- Myth: Sea salt is better for your health than table salt. Not true! All types of salt are high in sodium. Yet, it is not the saltshaker that is the biggest source of people's sodium intake. Processed foods such as deli meats, sauces and soups are the main culprits. Says Azevedo: "Most of us are eating more than double the amount of sodium we need each day."

To find ways of reducing their daily sodium consumption, people can visit www.sodiumhowmuch.ca.



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# **Businesses** asked to join ambassador program



Free project turns businesses into information centres for tourists visiting the Haliburton Highlands

### **Jenn Watt**

Editor

In an effort to present a unified tourism experience to visitors, the county has launched a tourism ambassador program across the Haliburton Highlands.

Designed to improve customer service and convert business owners into tourism representatives, the initiative is now looking for participants.

"The county established the tourism ambassador as a point of contact [with visitors]," said Barrie Martin, who was contracted to kick start the program.

An ambassador is required to "be friendly with customers who come in and be a point of information for the customer," he says.

As was announced last month, being an ambassador means committing to helping visitors experience the best of the Highlands and includes a window sign that indicates the business is participating.

There is also a "flash" customer service training delivered in about five minutes to ensure everyone is on the

Martin said last week that the program will be giving out binders of up-to-date tourism information for those who choose to be ambassadors.

"This is just a start," Martin said, "and some businesses are very good at [customer service] and some aren't."

The goal is to get everyone up to the same standard.

Along with Sean Pennylegion and Karra Wesley, Martin will be approaching businesses that are likely to interact with people seeking more information, such as convenience stores and gas stations.

However, they are hoping to get as many retailers and service providers on board as they can.

While there will be obvious competition between ambassadors (will one restaurant owner want to refer customers to another restaurant if they ask?), Martin said there needs to be a spirit of collaboration to make the Haliburton Highlands a pleasant place to visit.

"The important thing is getting people up here [to the Highlands] whether they eat at this restaurant or that restaurant," Martin said.

"We're saying let's work together and get people to the

It is free to be an ambassador. All you need to do is contact Yours Outdoors at 705-754-3436 or email info@yoursoutdoors.ca.

Individuals can also be ambassadors and Martin notes they can affix the sign to the window of their car.

Martin's role in the project was made possible through county and Haliburton County Development Corporation

### Fire victims thankful for community compassion

**Darren Lum** 

Staff reporter

It was an awakening to Minden's generosity as much as the tragedy that befell a Minden family on the morning of this past Christmas Eve.

When Cheryl Alton, her husband Mark Alldread, son, Jason McConnell, his wife, Lisa Littlejohn and eightmonth-old, Hunter McConnell were awoken to the sound of the burning roof snapping that fateful morning she never quite knew how much she loved her hometown until after the fire that consumed her home.

Alton couldn't say thank you enough since that day.

The *Times* spoke to Alton after receiving a cheque from the Minden and District Lioness Club, which was raised through the February jamboree (a monthly event) held at the Minden Community Centre, this past Sunday.

This community is phenomenal. You couldn't ask for a better place. There's no way," she said, adding she had been living in Oshawa for 32 years. "Minden is where you want

They are currently living on Horseshoe Lake Road but are not sure for how long.

Alton's son said her grandson will definitely be raised

The difference between here and the city is the tight-knit atmosphere and the care she received, which came in the form of clothing and well wishes. A letter to the editor is expected shortly to express gratitude to the community that has touched them so deeply, she said.

"We just can't thank people enough. Even now there's still the odd person that is still calling that they have something and want us to have it. So, it's still coming. The city, no, the people would not have come together like Minden did, no way," she said. "Without the community we would have never made it."



**Darren Lum** Staff

Cheryl Alton, left, accepts a \$530 cheque from Minden and District Lioness Club treasurer Janet Readman at the jamboree held at the Minden Community Centre on Sunday, March 11. Alton and her family lost their home this past Christmas Eve and have been appreciative to the community for its generosity. She said they wouldn't have made it without the help. The money was raised from concession sales at the February jamboree. The club chooses a different recipient to receive money from the concession sales every month.



### **Local band receives plaque**

Minden resident Mervin Barry, centre receives a hug after he (wife, Lois, friend, Ted Robinson, his wife, Gwenne Davis) presented the Country Hot Flashes and Cold Shoulders band with an appreciation plaque at the monthly jamboree event held at the Minden Community Centre on Sunday, March 11. Barry, his wife and friends bought and made the plaque to give recognition to the band that gives its time and musical passion to Minden.

**Darren Lum** Staff

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### Concert celebrates women with music

### **Angelica Blenich**

Staff reporter

It was a celebration of women complete with voices, instruments and handholding.

On March 8 community members gathered at the Minden United Church to honour women and the impact they have not just on Haliburton County but the world.

In recognition of International Women's Day, Shirley Holmes, in support of YWCA and Point in Time, organized a celebration of joy concert.

The evening including musical highlights from Shout Sister Choir, Outloud Womyn's Voices, Wendy and Ken Loney, Beth Johns and Norris Turner, Chad Ingram and John

Reverend Max Ward welcomed everyone to the event and said what better way to celebrate women than with music.

Founded in 1911, International Women's Day is a global recognition of the economic, political and social achievements of women past, present and future.

This year marks the 101st year of recognizing the day.

Resource development coordinator Sarah Adams spoke on behalf of YWCA, challenging everyone in the room to take a minute to think about where Haliburton County would be without the influence of women.

"Hospitals, schools, council, businesses, not-for-profits, churches, the list goes on. These places would not have the impact they have today without the commitment and hard work of women," said Adams.

Holmes outlined some of the international efforts to help women, such as micro-credit programs in place in developing countries.

The evening came to a close as all those in attendance held hands in a circle and sang a final song.





**Angelica Blenich Staff** 

Above, guests who gathered at the Celebration of Joy concert held at the Minden United Church on March 8 close the evening by holding hands and singing a song in recognition of International Women's Day.

The fundraising event for YWCA and Point in Time featured a number of musical acts and facts about the status of women around the world.

Left, Ken and Wendy Loney strum a tune at the event.

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# **Province must rein in spending: Scott**

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lation. Where's the money that's left

Scott said the bill was a thin one and lacked specifics on how a fund for southwestern Ontario would work and whether a fund in that region would come at the expense of eastern Ontario.

'So is eastern Ontario going to get less?" she asked. "How do we know because there's nothing in the bill that will tell us."

A challenge of the program, which Scott said was valuable for the riding, has been that businesses must have a minimum of 10 employees to apply for funding and Scott said this needed to be changed so that more business owners could partici-

The MPP also stressed that the province is facing record debt and deficit and that it needs to rein in its spending.

Johnson, who was listed on the Liberal release as the media contact, dismissed Scott's claim that the Liberals were being unclear about how much money was left in the fund.

"It was an \$80 million program over fours years . . . \$53 million has been spent so far and we're in year four," the former

Johnson agreed the minimum requirement of 10 employees had been a problem since many rural businesses are small and said the minimum number of employees was dropped last year.

He pointed to four companies - Mariposa Dairy, Cameron Steel, Sir Sam's Ski Resort and Haliburton Forest and Wildlife Reserve - that had received money from the EODF, creating a total of 45 jobs.

Twenty-four jobs, he said, were created at Sir Sam's and Haliburton Forest collec-

Throughout Eastern Ontario, the EODF has funded 479 projects, many of which have yet to be announced.

"But the frustrating part of this is that the fund is set up for rural Ontario . . it doesn't include Ottawa, it doesn't include Kingston," Johnson said, adding that the con-

### I guess it was because it was a Liberal idea they couldn't approve it ...

— Rick Johnson Former MPP

tinuation of the fund was part of the Liberal campaign in the fall election. "I guess it was because it was a Liberal idea they couldn't approve it because it just doesn't make sense.

Johnson said the fund for southwestern Ontario would be completely separate from the eastern Ontario fund.

"The southwestern Ontario fund was a new fund that was created because of the success of the [eastern] one," he said, adding it wouldn't decrease funding for the EODF. "They're two separate programs. Maybe through committee, there'll be a better understanding by the Conservative caucus of the benefits of this."

When asked if he'd be the local Liberal candidate in the next provincial election, Johnson said, "I won't say 'no.' I promised on election night that I would stick my nose in when I felt there was a reason to stick my nose in. This was a reason."

The Eastern Ontario Wardens' Caucus last week released a report called Facing our Fiscal Challenges, which looks at the unique and difficult position the region's rural municipalities find themselves in due to limited tax bases and large amounts of infrastructure. (See story on page 8.)

Haliburton County Warden Murray Fearrey said the EODF has been valuable for the region and the riding.

"I think Mr. Hudak's come out against it but I don't understand a member in Eastern Ontario, quite frankly, not supporting it," Fearrey told the paper in a phone interview. "I don't know if [Scott] clearly understood the economic impact and I know that the program for the Conservatives is that

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### Robocalls need further investigation, Devolin says

Lisa Gervais

QMI Agency

Local MP Barry Devolin spent a lot of time in the Speaker's chair recently as the robo-call scandal continues in Ottawa.

"I do not recall any calls in our riding [Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock] telling [voters] to go to the wrong place to vote, Devolin said.

Devolin also reiterated leader Stephen Harper's comment that "absolutely, categorically, we had nothing to do with this."

Nevertheless, Devolin said it was a "serious allegation that needs to be gotten to the bottom of" and "Elections Canada is the entity that will be doing that."

Devolin said that the allegations are "traceable" since they have left an "electronic footprint."

However, he said it would take some time for Elections Canada to investigate, and likely involve court orders to pull people's phone records.

"The reality is at the end of the day, Elections Canada will find out."

### points of view

### our editorial

### Go team?

OLITICS CAN BE defined myriad ways. The science of government:

the art of argument; war without blood.

However, seemingly more and

more, at the provincial and federal levels of government, politics is about toeing the line. It's about going with the flow. It's about doing the bidding of one's party.

Ontario politics are an ongoing sporting event with three teams: the red team, the blue team and the orange team.

Some would argue

there is also a green team, although its players seem to have difficulty finding the arena.

Recently, a certain member of the blue team voted against legislating a program that has brought money into this riding and created jobs in the economically depressed County of Hali-

Her teammates did the same, despite the fact the fund has helped create or maintain many jobs throughout eastern Ontario.

It would seem the reason for the vote was the captain of the blue team's opposition to the bill.

It should be noted that some players on the blue team and some of their fans are not particularly fond the team

captain, since at times he can get, well, a little too blue for them.

The red team has gotten all hot under the collar about the blue player's vote, so much so that a member of the red team who lost his last game

against the blue player came off the bench swinging at her.

Some readers will dismiss the red player as merely having a case of sour grapes and note that proceeding with the fund was in his team's playbook.

Some readers will suggest that by writing this, I am cheering for the red

team, although in the past readers have accused me of being a card-carrying member of both the blue and red teams.

Even the county warden, a longtime player who once tried out for the blue team, had some difficulty with last week's move by the blue player.

Blindly partisan politics can be dangerous since they can sometimes ignore the needs of constituents.

All provincial and federal politicians could benefit from less focus on party policy and more concentration on regional needs.

The needs of constituents - in this case funding for businesses - are objective.

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We would like to thank the Minden and Haliburton fire departments and the people who gave us furniture, clothes, cash, food, etc.

Thanks to the Hot Flashes and Cold Shoul-

There are not enough words to say how much we appreciate what people have done for us. For a small town, it sure has a big heart.

Mark, Cheryl, Jay,

to the Editor at

To the Editor,

when we lost our home on Dec. 24, 2011.

Thanks so much.

Lisa and Hunter

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### **Program helps** youth make amends

The Haliburton Youth Justice Committee (HYJC) is a Ministry of Attorney General program that has operated in Haliburton County for 11 years. Donna Austin, who founded the program in Haliburton County is still the coordinator, but also provides training provincially to support other sites.

The purpose of the program is to bring together young people accused of first-time minor non-violent offences, their parents, the victims and trained members of the community to negotiate a way for the young person to make amends for their actions. The Youth Justice Committee has a team of dedicated and skilled volunteers that work with Donna and the other people involved to help find a suitable way for the young person to make amends

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### points of view

### **Monkey business**

OMETIME IN THE distant future when our descendants look back on all the incredible achievements of our society, they will stand in awe of what was just announced on the Internet.

And, I'm not referring to the fact that Rush Limbaugh still has sponsors.

No, I'm referring to the latest breakthrough. You see, after years of research and study, after countless grants and thousands of hours in the lab, our scientists have finally achieved something that will set our civilization apart for all eternity. Yes, we have finally taught monkeys how to use money. We're the ones!

This might not seem important to you, but I think it will explain a lot to those we leave this planet to.

It's something we can all be proud of. I don't know about you, but I plan

on telling my grandkids exactly where I was there when the first monkey consumers were announced. I was right here, sitting on my couch.

I'm not sure how many upwardly mobile monkeys there are in the world right now, but I'm guessing that, as soon as they get a taste of consumerism, those numbers can only increase.

Needless to say, now is the time to invest in banana futures and tire swings. And the person who can invent a better feces thrower is bound to make a fortune.

Don't worry, I'm working on it. Of course, there's a down side of this too.

Now, thanks to the dedication of those scientists, I can envision a day

when I am stuck in a 10-items-or-less checkout line behind 12 monkeys, several of which have more than the allowable amount of items.

If you think about it, this demonstrates, once and for all, which species has the superior intellect.

I mean, we fed and kept those monkeys, gave them a load of cash, taught them how to use it and then let them go to town. It must be horrible being that stupid.

But enough about the scientists; let's focus on the monkeys.

I'm really not sure why they'd want to do this. They have resisted this so far. And they've benefitted too. Right now, they don't have to deal with money problems or infomercials. But, if they continue to show us that they are as smart as the average consumer, things will quickly change. Next thing you know they'll have to get real jobs and wear suits, which is something they only do now for Disney movies and greeting cards.

No, if they're as smart as I think they are, they'll summarily reject the use of cash and go back to the way things were before those scientists subjected them to the root of all evil.

In the meantime, the scientists can take this experiment to the next level and try to get them to use credit cards. But, if past performance is any indication, I'm guessing the monkeys, at least, will be too smart for that.

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**Steve Galea**Beyond 35

### A carrot that never existed

**Neil Campbell** 

Back of Beyond

AY I HAVE a glass of water, please?" Old Delahanty is the first customer to show up this morning in the tearoom of the Sapsucker Arms.

"A glass of water?" says the waitress Gretchen. "I'll just bet you do. Next thing you'll be asking for a menu!"

"No need for that," says Delahanty. "I will not be eating. Today I have begun a fast. I might last the biblical 40 days. You never know."

Gretchen groans in two-part harmony with The Brown Dog Jiggs, who basks in the March sunshine pouring through the tearoom windows.

"A fast?" she says. "If you're going to stop eating, you can do that just as well at home. If people start coming here to not eat, I'll be out of business in a hurry."

Delahanty leans back in his chair.
"Well, I'm going to try not eating for a while and see how that makes me

"I just read an article. Fasting might be a better treatment than drugs for diabetes and epilepsy. It may even make chemotherapy more effective."

"Pull yourself together," says the waitress. "Your gooseberry scones are in the oven. I'll pour a glass of sarsa-

parilla. This fast has gone on for long enough."

Hunger makes the old fellow edgy.
"I said I wanted a glass of water and

that's all I want. Is that so hard?" And he slams the table.

Gretchen sighs. "What about grouchy? Is fasting good for grouchy?"

The waitress thinks the gooseberry scones must be almost ready. What will she do with them? Only Delahanty and his pal, Fixx, ever eat them.

Aloud, she says. "What are you doing here, then? Fasting for epilepsy. I never heard of such a thing."

"Of course you haven't," says the old codger. "There's no money in it. No money for big pharma. No money for anybody.

"A cure that can't be bought and sold just lies there like an empty suit on a hotel bed, waiting to be taken to the cleaners"

Just then, Fixx, who has been making a living doing favours at Queen's Park since a moment after time began, barges through the door. He is on his way to his cottage on Horned Grebe

Lake, right next to Delahanty's, fleeing the blather of bank economists.

When Gretchen brings his scones and sarsparilla, old Delahanty sits star-

ing with the dazed look of the truly hungry, for he went without breakfast. His friend spews crumbs as he chows down and Jiggs fields the flying tidbits.

"You're right," Fixx says.
"The economy just
doesn't work anymore but
the bankers pretend it does.

"All they talk about is the — Gross Domestic Product and what they can't count,

don't count. So far as the GDP is concerned, if you eat a carrot you grew yourself, it never existed. Buy a carrot, and you contribute to the GDP."

Gretchen stops pretending to wipe the next table over.

"And a carrot isn't nearly as good for the GDP as a chocolate bar. Processing adds value to the chocolate and then your dentist adds some value of his own."

Fixx clears his throat. "The GDP doesn't care where the money came from – earthquakes, fires, wars . . . It doesn't matter how many people die.

Even burying them adds to the GDP."

Delahanty agrees. "But that's another argument. My point is that anything we don't put a price tag on doesn't count.

"I heat my house with wood I've cut myself. I contribute to the GDP when I buy gas for my saw, but that's about where it ends. My wood keeps me warm in winter, but so far as the GDP is concerned, it's worthless."

"Wait a moment," says Fixx. "My neighbour heats with wood, too. If you sold your wood to him, and he sold his to you, you would each contribute \$90 a face cord to the GDP, and pay taxes on it besides."

Gretchen frowns. "If everybody started making things for themselves instead of buying and selling them, there'd be no economy. There would be no money for police or doctors or teachers. We'd all be back in the Middle Ages."

Delahanty tries to remember what his Middle Age was like and then hunger starts his hand wandering, creeping sconeward over the tearoom table.

"Not so fast," says Gretchen. The Brown Dog turns away in disgust.

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### Government to reduce youth justice program

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and learn from their experience.

For example a young person commits a minor offence such as breaking a shop window. Police investigate and, if they find there are reasonable and probable grounds to lay a charge, they may refer the case to the Haliburton County Youth Justice Program rather than laying a charge. A restorative justice meeting occurs which gives everyone an opportunity to discuss what happened, how people have been affected and to put a plan together to repair the harm that has occurred. For example the family that donated the bench in their parent's memory may explain to the young

person why the bench is so important to them and the impact of having the bench vandalized. The young person involved with support, maybe asked to refinish the bench - and sand away the graffiti before re-staining it.

Why would the police or courts make a

There are several benefits:

1) Research has shown that the sooner youth are engaged after committing a crime, the more directly they will relate consequences to their offence. (HYJC becomes involved immediately)

2) Involvement in the HYJC greatly reduces the likelihood of re- offence.

3) It provides an opportunity for a young

person to take responsibility for the harm that they have done and avoid a criminal record. Young people learn how their behaviour impacts others.

4) There are huge cost savings to society when young people are assisted in turning their lives around - with savings involved in court time, prosecutions costs, OPP time involved, and ultimately avoiding jail time.

This program provincially has been under a program review. We recently learned that instead of this program being renewed for a full year - that we are only receiving four months worth of funding.

Marg Cox executive director, Point in Time Centre for Children Youth and Parents comments, "This program is cost efficient, effective and educates our youth about making positive life choices

"It would be a shame if we lost this resource in our community.

"The entire program here costs the same amount as one year of incarceration, so from a financial perspective it is clear it is worth the investment in our young people!

"Our surveys show that 93 per cent of victims and 100 per cent of offenders surveyed reported they found the restorative justice meeting helpful in resolving the incident, and over 96 per cent of both parties would recommend this process to others."

Submitted by Point In Time

### Eastern Ontario struggles with infrastructure costs

### **Chad Ingram**

Staff reporter

The road is getting bumpy for municipalities in Eastern Ontario.

A recent report from the eastern Ontario Wardens' Caucus shows that local governments in this part of the province are grappling to pay for their infrastructure needs.

"Results of a comprehensive financial study of eastern Ontario municipalities paint a sobering picture of a region struggling with a limited tax base, rising debt levels and a growing need to invest in infrastructure," a March 5 release from the EOWC reads.

The report, entitled Facing Our Fiscal Challenges, examined the 114 municipalities that comprise the region, 103 of them rural governments.

"Residents contribute almost 90 per cent of property taxes collected in the region's rural communities due to low levels of commercial and industrial activity," the report reads. "In addition, these residents are more likely to have lower incomes, be unemployed and be over the age of 65 compared with the rest of Ontario.'

According to the report, municipal debt levels in the region have increased 300 per cent over the past decade and collectively, eastern Ontario municipalities must find an additional \$500 million to \$600 million a year to maintain existing infrastructure.



It's the most comprehensive look that's been done on where we stand and what our needs are.

> — County Warden Murray Fearrey

Because they have fewer households, that burden is more difficult for rural municipalities to bear.

For example, while in a separated city the cost of rebuilding a one-kilometre lane of road is split between 25 households, in rural municipalities, it's split between

"It's the most comprehensive look that's been done on where we stand and what our needs are," said county Warden Murray Fearrey. "It's a tool in presenting [our case] to government."

With the federal and provincial governments facing austere fiscal years, there is no funding from either level on the horizon for 2012 and 2013 at this point is an unknown.

While there are a number of county infrastructure projects on the books, including bridge and culvert upgrades, the warden said none of them are what he would consider imminent

"I don't think there's anything within the next two years, that I know of that's huge," Fearrey said. "I think we could probably go a year or two [with no funding], but if it starts to get into five and seven and eight, we're going to be in real trouble."

There are a number of bridges in the county that need repair work done within the next five years.

These include the Head Lake bridge on County Road 21 at about \$820,000; the Paudash Lake bridge on County Road 9 at \$235,000; the York River bridge on County Road 10 at \$222,500; the Gooderham bridge on County Road 507 at \$180,000; and the Eagle Lake bridge on County Road

According to county engineer Roy Haig, these estimated figures could be conservative and the county should be looking at a dedication of about \$400,000 a year for the necessary rehabilitation.

The county has kept its debt low by reaching into its own pocket rather than borrowing money to fund capital projects.

Haliburton County's debt load at the end of last year was just more than \$300,000 and it will have its long-term debt paid off

'While the debt load in our case is quite good, the big challenge will be dealing with the growing infrastructure deficit," county chief administrative officer told the paper in an email. "The report notes a \$3 billion deficit across the eastern Ontario study area for roads and structures with limited sources of funding to pay these costs. The county, like most rural municipalities in eastern Ontario, has very modest reserves that can be used as working capital to fund infrastructure projects. This situation is further aggravated when combined with limited property tax revenue and uncertainty over what if any infrastructure funding will be available from the federal and the provincial governments in future years.

The county's working fund reserve is projected to be about \$1.5 million at year's end; its bridge reserves at approximately \$580,000.

Its total reserves will sit at approximately \$3.7 million.

Fearrey thought the report meant eastern Ontario would be in a good position for funding when money is made availa-

"When the economy turns around, it makes a point that we have done something that no one else has done and that Eastern Ontario is not Southern Ontario or Central Ontario," he said. "I think it's a worthwhile tool."

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### Minden Hills discloses council remuneration for 2011

#### **Chad Ingram**

Staff reporter

Minden Hills councillors approved their pay and expenses for 2011 at a March 8 committee-of-the-whole meeting.

Public disclosure of the figures is required by the municipal act.

Total council expenses for the year were approximately

Reeve Barb Reid was paid just under \$25,000 and received approximately \$340 in travel expenses, while Deputy-reeve Cheryl Murdoch made just less than \$20,000 and accepted no travel expenses.

Councillors Lisa Schell, Larry Clarke, Brigitte Gall, Jean Neville and Ken Redpath were each paid approximately \$16,500 for the year.

Schell and Gall were each paid \$100 for travel; Clarke \$75; Neville approximately \$180; and Redpath approxi-

Under conferences and education, expenses for Reid and Schell were zero dollars; Clarke approximately \$2,900; Gall just less than \$2,000; Murdoch less than \$40; Neville approximately \$2,200 and Redpath approximately

The remuneration and travel expenses for the township's four-member committee of adjustment totalled around \$3,200.



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### NOTICE

Please be advised that Council, at their regular meeting on March 29th, 2012, will be considering an amendment to each of the following By-laws: a) Schedule "B" of By-law No. 03-16, being a by-law to authorize the creation and designation of parking spaces on highways and/ or on municipal property for the exclusive use of vehicles which are displaying a disabled person parking permit in accordance with the requirements of the Highway Traffic Act, by adding two (2) additional parking spaces in front of the County of Haliburton Administration

b) By-law 11-21, being a by-law to impose a fee for Sewage Service in the area known as the Village of Minden

Building, 11 Newcastle Street, in the Town of Minden.

c) By-law 11-22, being a by-law to impose a fee for Water Service in the area known as the Village of Minden

d) Cemetery Budget 2012

Laura Cunliffe, Interim Clerk

### **IMPORTANT NOTICE**

**REGARDING YOU INTERIM TAX BILL** 

The Township has received an unusually large number of returned interim tax notices due to incorrect mailing addresses. Tax notices were mailed on February 24, 2012, with installment due dates of March 23 and May 18, 2012. If you have not received your notice in time to meet the first installment deadline, please contact the Township Office at 705-286-1260.

### **NOTICE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

Meeting - Thursday March 15th at 4:30 pm in the Council Chambers Everyone Welcome!

### **REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS**

The Township of Minden Hills is requesting proposals from qualified Chipping and Grinding Contractors for the removal of Construction and Demolition Waste from the Scotch Line Landfill. Tenders must be in a SEALED envelope clearly marked "Landfill Chipping and Grinding" no later than March 14, 2012 at 12:00 noon.

Township of Minden Hills Attention: Chris Voth, Environmental and Property Operations Manager PO Box 359 7 Milne Street, Minden, ON KOM 2KO

Full details are included on our website www.mindenhills.ca (notices) or can be obtained by calling Chris Voth, Environmental and Property Operations Manager at 705-286-1260, Ex. 216. (cvoth@mindenhills.ca)

Lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

### **MEETINGS AND EVENTS**

4:30 pm Economic Development Advisory Committee meeting, Council Chambers March 15th March 29th Public Meetings

(10:30 approx. to consider various by-laws per Notice)

Council Meeting (10:00 am public session) March 29 8:30pm Earth Hour March 31st

Committee of the Whole/General Committee meeting April 12th

(10:00am public session) April 26th Council Meeting (10:00am public session)



### **Agnes Jamieson Gallery The Land Narrative Exhibition**

Artist Elaine Carr's work is influenced by land and place. This is evident in her current work that views land and water from an internal and external perspective. The landscape is viewed from different simultaneously existing perspectives, incorporating topographical scape and aerial landscape with pen and ink, Japanese paper, plaster and wood.

The Land Narrative runs from March 1, 2012 to April 28, 2012.

The gallery is open Tuesday to Saturday 10am - 5pm.

The Minden Hills Cultural Center is now accepting applications for summer student job positions. Resumes can be dropped off at Agnes Jamieson Gallery.

### For more information please go to

www.mindenculturalcenter.com or call 705-286-2808

### 2012 Summer Student Employment

The Township of Minden Hills is hiring summer students for our Community ervices Department. Candidates must be planning to return to school in September and should have experience in grounds maintenance work and/or leading recreation programs. Candidates must be available to start the first week of May, 2012 and have a G2 or G level Driver's License. Wage is \$10.25 per hour. The normal work schedule will include Saturday and Sunday shifts. A driver's abstract and a criminal reference check must be supplied during the interview process. Successful candidates must supply and wear Green patch footwear.

Please state in your application when you would be able to start work. Letters of application with a résumé should be dropped off at the Township office, sent by email to rcox@mindenhills.ca or mailed to:

**CSD Summer Student Employment** Township of Minden Hills PO Box 359, 7 Milne St. Minden ON K0M 2K0 Application deadline: 12:00 pm, April 2, 2012

### PICKLEBALL

Minden Community Centre Tuesdays 9am-noon • Starting Feb 28.

Wednesdays 9am-noon. \$3 Pay as you play. Equipment supplied.

To see more notices turn to page 23

### MINDEN HILLS COMMUNITY **SERVICES DEPARTMENT**

Request for Quotations to Supply each of the following (separate bids please):

1. Arena Snack Bar Operations Contract 2012-2014 - Ref # 2012-CSD-001

2. Refrigeration Plant Maintenance Contract 2012-2014, Ref # 2012-CSD-009

3. Ice Rink Board & Door Reconfiguration - Ref # 2012-CSD-002 4. Moveable Wall replacement - Ref # 2012-CSD-003

5. Used ½ ton pick-up truck, 2008 Model year or newer - Ref # 2012-CSD-004

6. Used heavy half or ¾ ton pick-up truck, 2008 model year or newer - Ref # 2012-CSD-

7. Portable and Vault toilet pumping Contract 2012-2014, Ref # 2012-CSD-010 Cemetery Division

8. Landscaping services, Minden Cemetery (Columbaria) - Ref # 2012-CSD-006

9. Landscaping services, Twelve Mile Cemetery (Columbaria) - Ref # 2012-CSD-007 10. Roof shingle removal/replacement, Twelve Mile Cemetery Vault - Ref # 2012-CSD-008

To request full specifications for any of the above, please email <a href="mailto:rcox@mindenhills.ca">rcox@mindenhills.ca</a> with the Ref # in the subject line

Deadline for response March 26, 2012 12:00 pm

Tender opening: March 26, 2012 2:15 pm, Minden Hills Municipal Office Lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted. The Township of Minden Hills reserves the right to award tenders separately or together, and to inspect materials or equipment before finalizing the purchase.

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MINDEN HILLS COMMITTEE OF ADJUSTMENT - NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING HEARING DATE: MONDAY, MARCH 26, 2012

TIME: 9:30 a.m.
PLACE AND ADDRESS: Municipal Council Chambers
7 Milne Street, Minden, Ontario.
In the matter of Section 45 of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chpt. P. 13, as amended and in the matter of Advisor of Poining By-law No. 06-10 as amended.
File No. MV A01/2012, Part Lot 24, Concession 6, Township of Lutterworth ,

Applicant: Rick & Margaret SAARIMAKI
Purpose: Rick & Margaret SAARIMAKI
Purpose: The applicants replaced a porch on a legal non-complying cottage, and added decks for stability and overall usage. The existing cottage was located approximately 15' from the normal high water mark; the renovation is approximately five feet and therefore requires a minor variance to go closer to the normal high water mark. The existing structure including the porch was 1,644 sq. ft. The renovation, including the replaced porch and new decks is 2,652 sq. ft. in size.

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The following variances are requested:

1. From Section 4.7.4. i) - to construct decks, which increases the coverage of the legally noncomplying building by 36.3% more than permitted.

File No. MY A02/2012, Part Lot 4, Concession 14, Township of Snowdon,

1031 Capricorn Court, South Lake,

Heather LEE

Purpose:

The property is zoned Shoreline Residential (SR). The applicant is proposing to demolish an existing legal non-complying dwelling, together with various accessory buildings and replace them with one new seasonal cottage structure. The deck of the current main building is 4.5m (15) from the normal high water mark whereas the new deck will be 6m (19.68). The existing structure is a one-storey 796 sq. ft. building (including deck) and the new one will be a two storey 2,400 sq. ft. building. Legal non-complying structures are allowed to go 25% larger and 1.2m higher and this proposal exceeds those allowances. Also lot coverage is a maximum of 15%. The following variances are requested:

1. From Section 4.7.4, v) - to increase the height 2.02m (6%) higher than permitted

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4. From Section 5.2, Table 2 - an increase of 4.9% with respect to lot coverage file No. MV A03/2012, Part Lot 3, Concession A, Township of Minden

4. St. Germain Street, Village of Minden,

Applicant:

The applicant is requesting a variance to recognize that the existing buildings are located closer to the front yard than permitted. The front yard setback for a dwelling in the Residential Type One (Rt) Zone is 7.1% becausing how pare and in the public hearing

# MH seeks meeting with MNR

### **Chad Ingram**

Staff reporter

Representatives of Minden Hills are planning to meet with the Ministry of Natural Resources regarding hours of operation for pits and quarries in the township.

The issue was discussed by councillors at a March 8 committee-of-the-whole meeting, the discussion stemming from a presentation to council by two residents last

In October, Mountain Lake residents Reg Holloway and Peter Hynard requested councillors restrict the operating hours for heavy equipment operating in quarries near residential areas from 8 a.m. until 5

There are two quarries near the lake, licensed for 70 and 18 acres, respectively, according to Holloway.

The current township bylaw allows activity between 7 a.m and 8 p.m. and the recommendation from interim bylaw officer Colin McKnight was to reduce the hours to between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m.

Drilling, blasting and crushing are not permitted on Sundays or holidays.

Councillor Ken Redpath said that since the request had been concerning pits and quarries close to residential area, that the bylaw be fine-tuned to exempt pits far from built-up areas from the reduced hours.

Ultimately, control of pits and quarries is the responsibility of the Ministry of Natural Resources.

"I think that rather than making any decisions today . . . I would like to suggest that we have a meeting with the MNR and really get clear what we can and cannot agree to and then bring it back to council," said Reeve Barb Reid. "There is a lack of clarity on whether grandfathered pits and quarries can be changed. It's not entirely clear."

Reid suggested a working meeting between McKnight, herself and MNR reps.

Chief administrative officer Gerry Morrison said he'd like to take part and suggested that Deputy-reeve Cheryl Murdoch, whose portfolio includes bylaws, could take part.



Minden Hills Reeve Barb Reid presents Daniel Allison with the **Good Neighbour** Award for 2011.

**Chad Ingram** 

### Allison wins neighbour award

### **Chad Ingram**

Staff reporter

When a severe windstorm battered the Minden area last year, Daniel Allison spent the day sawing away at fallen trees to keep Deep Bay Road passable.

Minden Hills Reeve Barb Reid presented Allison with the township's second annual Good Neighbour Award during a March 8 meeting.

"He spent hours clearing a pathway for vehicles to be able to access their homes

down the Deep Bay Road," Reid said. "I find this commendable on a day when he could have been working elsewhere to get paid."

The Good Neighbour Award was instituted in 2010 by an anonymous citizen, who also funds it.

Even the reeve said she's unaware of who this individual is.

The winner is selected from a list of candidates by a panel that includes a permanent township resident, a seasonal resident, a member of the local media, a representative from a local service club and a member of council.

Allison's name has been engraved on a plaque at the township office.





# CT scanner approval hits snag

**Angelica Blenich** 

Staff reporter

Haliburton Highlands Health Services CEO Paul Rosebush is still hopeful that Haliburton County will receive approval for a new CT scanner, despite hitting a recent roadblock.

Rosebush was expecting approval for the machine to come sometime in February, instead receiving unwelcome news from the Ministry of Health.

"They're saying that we have to resubmit our proposal now as a capital project, instead of as a project under the Healing Arts Radiation Protection Act [HARPA]," said Rosebush.

The approval is subject to a different process than was initially outlined to staff at HHHS.

"Because this project entails a major capital build or renovation, the ministry is now saying they need to go through a whole new capital review and approval process," said Rose-

Working closely with the ministry on the project, the CEO believes the project will still be completed in a timely man-

The Central East Local Health Integration Network (LHIN) recommended that HHHS resubmit the same application, said Rosebush

It is Rosebush's understanding that the ministry is reviewing capital applications across the province.

It is quite a lengthy process. I've advised the board and we're working on a strategy about how we're going to react to this," said Rosebush.

Former Liberal MPP Rick Johnson was the first to promise a new scanner, during his political campaign in the fall

Despite being defeated by Conservative Laurie Scott, HHHS personnel confirmed that the process to obtain the medical machine would still be pursued.

Along with approval for the scanner, HHHS is also awaiting positive news regarding the palliative care suite.

That's going to bring that into the conversation because it's our board preference to go at this with a phased approach ... we were planning to do the palliative project first followed by the CT initiative, because we want to meet pressing needs first," said Rosebush.

Asked if there's a possibility either project could be denied approval the CEO said he wasn't sure but that he remained

Despite reassurance from the LHIN that all the proper paperwork had been sent to the ministry, Rosebush is a little disappointed to have to go through a different process.

Yes there is disappointment on our end but still some resilience that we can do this, but it will take a bit longer and we'll have to go through a few more steps to get there," said

### Centrepieces take centre stage

**Photos by Darren Lum** 



Vicky Judge laughs while listening to Joanne Nichols of the Country Rose Garden Centre explain how to make an Easter centrepiece during a demonstration at the Minden and District Horticultural Society's monthly meeting.



Joanne Nichols of the Country Rose Garden Centre puts the final touches to an Easter centrepiece during a demonstration at the Minden and District Horticultural Society's monthly meeting at the Minden Community Centre on Tuesday, March 6. Nichols, who has worked at the Haliburton retail store for 30 years, was the meeting's guest speaker and offered tips and

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# Reads of the week

### **Book of the Week**

The Longevity Project by Howard S. Friedman and Leslie R. Martin

We've been told that to live long we should obsess over what we eat, how much we stress, and how fast we run. Based on the most extensive study of longevity ever conducted, eating your vegetables, relaxation and exercise are important but not the most critical components to long life. Drs. Howard Friedman and Leslie Martin studied 1500 people at Stanford University to find out who lives the longest and why. Their fascinating book The Longevity Project is full of revelations based on compelling and well-substantiated evidence that busts many myths. You can request *The Longevity Project* in regular print, large print and e-book formats from the Haliburton County Public Library.

### **Junior Book of the Week: Picture Book Title**

The Fairy Dogfather by Alexandra Day

From the author who brought you Carl, every young reader's favourite Rottweiler since 1985, comes a new doggy adventure. When a young boy, Hector, has trouble differentiating between the letters D and G, he writes a request to the universe for a fairy godfather only to find that a Fairy Dogfather has arrived instead. The Fairy Dogfather is a big black and brown dog who wears a fedora and beautiful brown jacket, smokes a cigar and uses big words - and he isn't at all what Hector had in mind! Will this strange canine be able to grant Hector's wishes? Find out by requesting The Fairy Dogfather at the Haliburton County Public Library.

### **Local Celebrity Read**

Ula Swiezawska, Grade 11 student at Haliburton Highlands Secondary School, recently read Soul Surfer: A True Story of Faith, Family and Fighting to Get Back on the Board by Bethany Hamilton, a non-fiction book which was recently adapted into a movie of the same title.

Bethany wrote the book first; it is a memoir," explains Swiezawska. "She wanted to tell her story about how, when she was 14, she went surfing with

a friend and was attacked by a shark. She lost her arm, and she wanted to write about how she got through that with the support of her friends and family."

Swiezawska chose to read Soul Surfer after a friend at camp recommended it to her. "I was at camp and a friend of mine had it," she says. "I began to read it and it was so inspiring. Bethany went through such a trau-

matic experience and she has still managed to continue with her passion of surfing. It shows that you can do anything that you set your mind to. It also shows that even when society is cruel you can still persevere."

"*Soul Surfer* was a very inspiring story to have read," says Swieszawska. "I've been passing on the recommendation to students at the school, and to anyone who wants to read a good autobiography."



### **News & Events**

Check out our March Break children's programming! It's Kids Can Grow for children aged two to seven years - bringing art, nature and fun together! Programs run on March 14 at Minden branch from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m., March 15 at Dysart branch from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m., March 16 at Wilberforce branch from 1 to 2 p.m.

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# Reserve users unite against MNR proposal

**Darren Lum** 

Staff reporter

Solidarity is proving to be the key feature of a consolidated effort to be heard by the Ministry of Natural Resources (MNR) regarding the management of the Clear Lake Conservation Reserve and Dawson Ponds and Plastic Lake Conservation Reserve.

Normally in opposing camps when it comes to land use, the seasonal, year-round residents, hunters, and recreational users rallied to preserve their way of life at a public meeting hosted by the Friends of Clear Lake Heritage Trails Association at the West Guilford Community Centre March.

More than 150 people came out to show their support and learn about the MNR's proposed preliminary management statement of the reserve areas that involve the expansion of the reserve, and prohibition of trail maintenance, cached boats, motorized vehicle use on logging trails and power generation to the area. This concerted effort includes a petition and letter-writing campaign to gain the attention of the government and the MNR.

Mike Brook, Friends of Clear Lake Heritage Trails Association vice president, urged the audience to get their message across before the management statement is pushed through.

"What's going to get noise is all of us saying, 'We're voters. We live in Ontario. We pay taxes. We're citizens. You're doing a wrong thing so let's think about it again," he said.

This group wants the MNR to recall the proposed management statement to correct what they say are factual inaccuracies and allow open discussion with local groups to negotiate fair terms of responsible community use. They believe everyone ultimately wants the same thing, which is the preservation of the reserves.

These reserves are on the boundary of Dysart and Algonquin Highlands and are bordered by Kennisis Lake, Red Pine Lake, Big Hawk Lake and Little Hawk Lake. It became a protected reserve in 1997.

The MNR, who had fielded questions initially about the management statement during their open house meeting in Stanhope on Feb. 16, was invited to this meeting, but was unable to send a representative. It has consulted with five aboriginal communities in the Orillia, Port Perry and Peterborough areas, and also Haliburton Highlands Water Trails, but did not consult with the Friends of Clear Lake.

The Friends contend more consultation is important for responsible management since the users and residents on the reserve have been de facto stewards. The management statement's elimination of logging trails ignores the historic responsible usage by locals and visitors, they say.

Since this meeting, the MNR has extended the deadline to the implementation to April 25 according to Dysart Reeve Murray Fearrey, who spoke in support of this group.

"This is just another case where the MNR have a policy to take your rights away. We had this fight before ... when they tried to stop snowmobiling on the hydro port. This is a time when we all need to stand together and we need to make the case there are no erosion of MNR concerns," he said. "I think you have a strong case here."

Councillor Dennis Casey attended the meeting with Fearrey, who said he will present a resolution to his council and will go to the minister to have him reconsider this action.

Near the end of the meeting Brook encouraged everyone to write letters or emails to the minister, deputy minister and MPP Laurie Scott with return addresses for greater weight. He emphasized the time to act is now before it is too late.

"Otherwise I suspect once it's done to try to get it undone is much harder. So this is the time to call out the troops to get people to respond and make our voices heard," Brook

Anyone interested in copies of the letters being sent out on behalf of the group can call Peter Hewitt at 705-754-



**Darren Lum** Staff

The Friends of Clear Lake Heritage Trails Association hosted a meeting that drew more than 150 people, representing a diverse collection of Clear Lake Conservation Reserve users that came together to petition the Ministry of the Natural Resources to be included in the process to draft policy regarding the reserve, which also includes Dawson Ponds and Plastic Lake Conservation Reserve.

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There is a real movement in general for people selling to seek this advice, sometimes it is from a realtor, sometimes its parents and sometimes a general contractor, the point is there are incredible opportunities to understanding what to do, how to do it, how much it will cost in relation to what the return will be and a time frame for preparation and completion to expose a property to the open real estate market in its "best" state, one that will bring back the most

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### Greg and Diane Cartwright, Four Mile Lake, Fall 2010

There is a change in the marketplace, a change that is taking place that most people don't see or understand and that change is preparation, staging and understanding how to "maximize" value. I have been involved in more than a few of these stories, ALL with tremendous success and overall great experiences... I have to say also that I have had Sellers change their minds due to the incredible difference it made to the property, they just didn't think it could look that good.

Part of being a real estate professional is to fully take care of my clients, not just come up with a price out of thin air, put up a for sale sign, take a few photos and "hope", no, it is meeting with my client, analyzing the property and making professional suggestions as to changes that could be made to impact saleability and maximize value. Having said that, there are many, many properties that need nothing at all but in my 25 years of professional real estate experience more than 50% could have used some changes and those changes would have landed a lot more money in the Sellers' pockets. I would welcome a call or e-mail to discuss further what I can do for any Seller on this subject and I have more testimonials I could share and clients you can contact directly if you need more proof. Where I differ from most is that I have experience in landscape design and an understanding of building construction. I have a creative vision that helps people to "picture" the finished product and I can help you understand if you invest a dollar you can get 2 dollars back and a lot of times even more. Want to maximize your value? Call me...you have nothing to lose!

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### New date for Highland Yard

The Highland Yard will be taking place a couple of days later than

The new organizers of the longtime running race are moving the event from the Friday evening of the civic long weekend to the Sunday morning.

Jane Boyd, a member of the event's organizing committee, spoke to Minden Hills councillors at their March 8 committee-of-the-

The Minden Rotary Club and Places for People, which last year took over the event from Amici Camping Charity, are hoping that hosting the event on the Sunday morning might increase turnout.

In the past, the township has assisted in the event by allowing the closure of Bobcaygeon Road from Newcastle to Water streets (where the start/finish gate is located), as well as providing barricades, tables, chairs and other materials.

Organizers requested this assistance, including the road closure, continue.

"The stores can be open on Main Street," Boyd said. "It doesn't mean that they can't be?

The closure of the downtown strip of Bobcaygeon Road will last from about 8 a.m. to noon on Sunday, Aug. 5.

Reeve Barb Reid wanted to ensure that vehicles could still access Water Street from Bobcaygeon Road during the race and that people would still be able to easily access Sunday morning church serv-

She suggested to Boyd that organizers contact Minden's churches to let them know about the road closure.

Proof of insurance indemnifying the township must be provided by the organizers prior to the event.

The route for the race will be changing, with runners heading down Deep Bay Road rather than going through the baseball diamond area along the northern portion of Bobcaygeon Road.

Places for People and the Minden Rotary Club are planning to introduce a challenge for summer camps, with a prize going to the camp that has the most participants.

The Highland Yard was started by Onondaga Camp in 1971 and was for years known as the Heineken Yard while it enjoyed the sponsorship of the famous beer company.

Since 1986, it has been run by Amici Camping Charity, but last year the group announced it would be relinquishing control of the event since most of the volunteers of the grassroots charity are based in Toronto, making organizing difficult.

The event, which has 10-kilometre, five-kilometre, and two-kilometre legs, has in the past drawn up to 350 people.

For more information about this year's Highland Yard, visit www. events.runningroom.com/site/?raceId=7674.

- Chad Ingram



### INSPECTION

### Inspection of Approved 2012–2013 Annual Work Schedule Algonquin Park Forest

The Algonquin Park Office of the Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources (MNR) has reviewed and approved the Algonquin Forestry Authority (AFA) April 1, 2012–March 31, 2013 Annual Work Schedule (AWS) for the Algonquin Park

### Availability

The AWS will be available for public inspection at the AFA offices in Huntsville and Pembroke and the MNR public website at ontario.ca/forestplans beginning March 15, 2012 and throughout the one-year duration. Ontario Government Information Centres provide access to the Internet.

### **Scheduled Forest Management Operations**

The AWS describes forest management activities such as road construction, maintenance and decommissioning, forestry aggregate pits, harvest, site preparation, tree planting and tending that are scheduled to occur during the year. Once forestry operations are complete, water crossings are removed on operational roads to restore natural drainage and remove responsibility for ongoing maintenance. Beyond Park access points all forest access roads are closed to the general public.

# Algonquin Park Forest

### Tree Planting and Fuelwood

The AFA is responsible for tree planting on the Algonquin Park Forest. Please contact the Area Forester, AFA, Pembroke Office (see address below) for information regarding tree planting job opportunities for obtaining fuelwood.

### More Information

For more information on the AWS or to arrange an appointment with MNR staff to discuss the AWS or to request an AWS operations summary map, please contact:

Joe Yaraskavitch, Park Forester Ministry of Natural Resources Algonquin Park Office 31 Riverside Drive Pembroke, ON K8A 8R6 tel: 613-732-5550

Gord Cumming, Plan Author Algonquin Forestry Authority **Huntsville Office** 222 Main Street West Huntsville, ON P1H 1Y1 tel: 705-789-9647 ext. 30

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### Life Changes Can Change Your Tax Situation

For some Canadians, the year 2010 was a time of big changes. They may have gotten married or welcomed a new baby. Or perhaps one of their parents needed a full-time caregiver. If you experienced a life change last year, taxes are probably the last thing on your mind but all of these situations can impact your return.

Most Canadians have their tax deductions collected by their employer. Employers calculate the amount of deductions based on the information provided by an employee on a TD1 Form. It is quite common for employees to fill out only one TD1 Form and

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never update it when their tax situation changes.

It is important to remember changes in your life impact how much tax is withheld. Though it is always nice to get a tax refund, it is even better not to pay the money to the government in the first place.

If you get married or have children, your situation has changed. You should ask your payroll or human resources department for a new TD1 Form. The updated information should be used to recalculate the amount of tax withheld. Or if you are eligible for a new tax credit, you could also need to fill out a new TD1 Form. It can make a difference.

For example, the Child Tax Credit is based on \$2,131 for each child born in 1994 or later. If you qualify for the benefit, filling out a revised TD1 may result in slightly less tax being withheld by your employer. Have you had any life changes in the last few months?

- Are you a single parent with a child who turned 18 last vear?
- Did you get married?
- Is your spouse earning

- significantly more income this year?
- Did your spouse quit their job to stay-at-home with the children?
- Are you caring for an elderly parent?

If you answered yes to any of these questions, your tax situation has changed. It could be a good time to consult a tax professional to make sure you have the right amount of tax being withheld.

A tax professional at H&R Block can talk about other credits and deductions that may affect you. To find the office nearest you visit www.hrblock.ca or call us at 1-800-561-2154.

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### **Wedding Flower Trends 2012**

Your wedding truly is an expression of who you are—your heritage, family traditions and personal style. Flowers are the perfect way to add beauty and charm to your ceremony and reception.

Country Rose, located just west of the village of Haliburton, is a flower shop, garden centre and gift shop and has been serving the Highlands since 1987. At Country Rose, our emphasis is on detail—from the original complimentary floral consultation to the time of delivery and set-up. All bouquets are securely boxed and boutonnieres and corsages are individually labelled for easy identification to eliminate the possibility of any confusion on the big day.

### What are the latest trends in Wedding Flowers?

The 2012 bride is looking for a "country garden", "vintage" or "woodland rustic" theme. The majority of bouquets are handtied where the flowers are gathered together and the stems bound with satin or sheer ribbon. Cascade styles, however, are starting to make a comeback.

Bouquets convey the bride's originality and can showcase her personality with a bright, playful colour pallet hot choices such as brilliant pinks, coupled with oranges or purples are good examples. The shades of the ever popular gerbera daisy are now virtually endless and always make a statement. If looking for "bling", wired beads, jewel pins and rhinestone picks all add sparkle and glamour.

The soft, romantic bouquet of pastels is classic and timeless peonies with their heavenly scent, open roses or hydrangeas can all contribute to the soft ambience. There is beauty in the elegance of simplicity.

Lime green is in! It really pops and works equally well with hot colours or pastels. Lime green flower choices include fujie and button chrysanthemums, roses, hydrangeas, carnations, orchids and berries not to mention various foliages.

Along with flowers, other natural elements are becoming more and more popular in our cottage country weddings. The "woodland rustic" theme can incorporate moss, birch bark, pinecones, twigs, cattails, oak leaves and feathers. The seasons often dictate, in part, the

availability of decorating ideas such as spring and summer planters and hanging baskets to cornstalks, pumpkins and straw bales in the fall. We have even been known to decorate a dogsled or two in the winter!

The personally inspired touch from the bride is always welcomed. We consider it an honour to incorporate something unique into the bouquet such as a picture locket, a grandmother's pearl necklace or yardage of heirloom lace.

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### Things to consider when a bridesmaid is pregnant

Brides-to-be thinking of asking a including ordering a much larger size, pregnant friend or family member to be in the bridal party should know such a request is common. Recent findings indicate that around half of all weddings now have at least one member of the bridal party showing off a baby bump -- sometimes it's even the bride herself.

Barring a medical condition, there is no reason a pregnant woman can't be in the wedding and fulfill her obligations, so feel free to invite that special someone to be in the wedding. There are just a few things to consider to help make it easier on everyone involved. Think over these things.

Gowns: One of the things brides and bridesmaids often fret about is the gown they will be wearing. While nonpregnant members of the bridal party won't fluctuate much in weight from the day of their first fittings to the wedding day, a pregnant woman is growing with new life within her from the moment of conception. This will have to be taken into consideration. Some maternity designers create bridesmaid dresses for pregnant women, but they may not exactly match the other gowns in mind. Ask the bridal store if alterations can be made to a standard gown, adding elastic panels or another way to ensure the gown will stretch over a growing belly. Also, be considerate and choose a gown in an empire waist style so that it is flattering for the pregnant bridesmaid.

Shoes: While pregnant, some women's feet swell. Having strict restrictions on footwear can make a pregnant woman uncomfortable. Low heels or ballerina slippers can be comfortable and fashionable. The other members of the bridal party may also thank you for choosing a sensible shoe.

Breaks: Many activities during the wedding are bound to be tiring. But someone who is pregnant may feel it more than others. Ensure your mamato-be has ample time to sit and rest. Also, try to have planning meetings near a restroom where she will be comfortable.

**Nonalcoholic** drinks: From bachelorette parties to the wedding itself, be sure there are plenty of nonalcoholic and decaffeinated drinks she can enjoy. Pregnant women need to have a lot of water to meet the physical demand of pregnancy as well. Travel: In the latter months of the pregnancy, many doctors advise



Having a pregnant friend or family member as a bridesmaid just takes a little extra planning.

against air travel. Spending long hours in a car may be uncomfortable as well. If you were thinking about having the wedding far away, these are things that must be taken into consideration. You may want to revise your plans if your heart is set on having this woman in the bridal party.

Ceremony: It can be tiring for a pregnant woman, especially one in the last trimester, to stand for a long period of time. If you are having a long, religious ceremony, see if a seat can be arranged so your bridesmaid can sit down when she needs a rest.

**Declined** invitation: pregnant women will jump at the chance to be in the wedding, while others may realize their limitations and prefer to attend only as a guest. Have a another person in mind in case your bridesmaid invitation is declined, and do not hold it against the person if she feels she won't be able to commit during her pregnancy.

Patience: Although all eyes are generally on the bride on her special day, having a pregnant bridesmaid may garner a share of "oohs and aahs" and attention for her as well. It's a humble bride who can share her spotlight for a while. And remember, the "something





# MH water and sewer rates to rise

**Chad Ingram** Staff reporter

Water and sewer rates will be increasing for those on the Minden Hills system.

The increases were discussed at a committee-of-the-whole meeting on March 8.

"This rate increase is necessary to rebuild reserves and complete capital projects budgeted for to improve the township infrastructure," property and environmental operations manager Chris Voth wrote in a report to council.

"Ît is proposed to charge a fee of \$2.53 per cubic metre of water used and \$2.75 of sewage treated as per quarterly water meter readings. This increase of 12 cents per cubic metre of water and 13 cents per cubic metre of sewage that was charged to residents in 2011. This would translate into a minimum quarterly bill of \$104.42 for water services and \$130.62 for sewage treatment."

Councillor Brigitte Gall wondered if instead of increasing rates, the township could wait and see how much revenue its



### The capital needs in this area are now

— Minden Hills Reeve Barb Reid

public pay tap (the public had previously been able to fill up water jugs for free) would bring in.

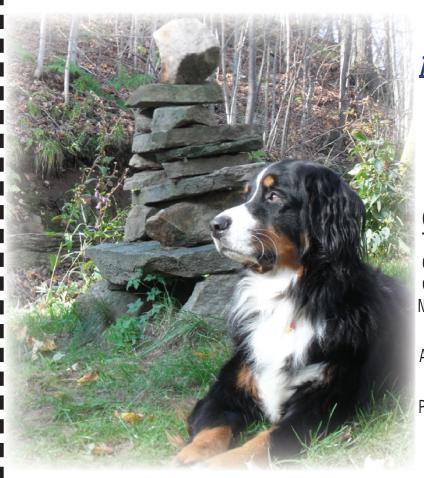
"That's something I could look into," Voth

While Reeve Barb Reid said the township could evaluate how much the tap would bring in for a season, "the capital needs in this area are now," she said.

Residents of Lutterworth Pines are not affected by the increase.

The increase must still be formally passed by council at its end-of-month meeting.





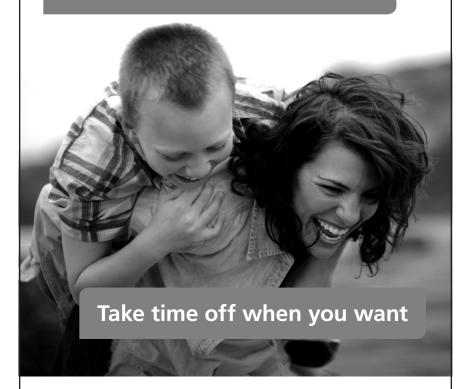
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### **ASES** welcomes parents for night of fun

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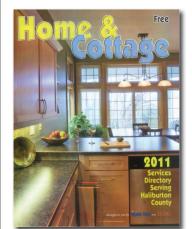
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Above, Tony Prentice, who was with his sons Devyn and Cole, pulls the block with letters on it for the finger traps team building game during the third installment of four parental engagement activity nights hosted by Archie Stouffer **Elementary School on** Wednesday, March 7.

Left, Cole Prentice, centre, of ASES takes a swipe with this noodle during the clothes pin ninja activity.



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### Archie Stouffer Elementary School Grade 2 students Dakota Whitehead (with teacher Mike Darlington), Scott King and Emmeline Duffy work out skip counting.

### They're No. 1

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Minden's Archie Stouffer Elementary School became the first school in the county to adopt a new provincial approach to mathematics last week.

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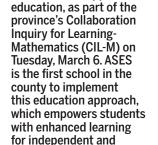
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**Archie Stouffer Elementary** School Grade 2 student

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# Pair of wins fuel student's Olympic dreams

**Darren Lum** 

Staff reporter

Just like the model airplanes scattered throughout his house. he's ready to soar.

Red Hawks snowboarder Greg Foster has greater reason to smile as he is coloured gold after capturing the Ontario Federation of School Athletic Associations (OFSAA) championship at the Mansfield Ski Club on March 1.

The 18-year-old Haliburton Highlands Secondary School (HHSS) senior said he was shocked at the win when he heard his name announced.

'Standing at the back, thinking I wasn't going to get it because I knew I was behind after the first run so I was thinking I've got to be second or third and then they didn't mention my name at all. Then they said my name [as the first place finisher]. 'Holy crap, I did it," he said.

Entering the second run of a combined average run time, Foster was facing an uphill battle, needing to finish in the first or second spot to take it all. The second run was on a completely different course and was faster, which led to him improving on his initial run by more than three seconds.

He ended up besting his second-place competitor Adam Varao by five-one-hundredths of a second with an average time of a 69.94. Despite snowboarding with an alpine board since January, the 6'1" athlete has shown promising results in addition to the OFSAA gold such as a first place at an Association of Ontario Snowboarders provincial championship parallel giant slalom event a few days after. He said much of his development is owed to watching clips from YouTube and applying what he saw at the slopes.

Alpine team head coach Mike Towers of the Ontario Snowboard Club, which gives competitors the training opportunities to work towards a competitive career, has also recognized

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his progress and skill. Towers has been encouraging because of Foster's drive and riding form and has been in regular contact with Foster and his mother about coaching and being part

Foster, who works at the Sir Sam's Ski and Summer Resort as a snowboarding instructor, has been riding for six years. The muscularly lean athlete, who shows a quiet discipline in everything he does, realizes several differences from freestyle to alpine riding such as the more forward relaxed stance and how being on the edge is not only a saying, but a necessary skill for success.

He's the consummate hard worker and an all-around athlete whether it's mountain biking or competing for the high school soccer, wrestling and rugby teams.

Ever since he was seven years old, he has been setting his sights on bigger things his mother, Lois, said.

Ever since I was little I wanted to go to the Olympics and during the Olympics I've watched Jasey-Jay Anderson win gold several times ... if I go to the Olympics I can possibly face him," he said.

Anderson is the most decorated Canadian snowboarder with four World Championship titles, a gold medal from the 2010 Winter Olympics in Vancouver, 61 FIS World Cup podium finishes and 27 World Cup victories.

With one FIS competition, in which he finished 20th in a field dominated by experienced national competitors, he is closer to making his dream a reality. This was a humbling experience, but he takes solace in knowing he did his best and has room for improvement. His mother points out missing a course inspection didn't help him so subsequent FIS races will be looked to for assessment.

The Snowboard Nationals competition held in Nakiska, Alta., from April 1 to April 7 is where he hopes to show his best, as impressing coaches and sponsors will be important to making the national snowboard team for the 2014 Sochi Olympics.

That's your key to get on the national team," he said.

The soon-to-be graduate of HHSS, who plans to attend Georgian College for welding, knows making the Olympics will not happen overnight, but believes showing well at the nationals is an important step.

His mother realistically believes her son isn't likely to win but will benefit from the experience.

Foster and his mother want the community to be a big part

of his dreams with financial help, as every Olympic Canadian hopeful needs all the support he or she can get to cover travel, equipment and training costs.

His mother has been working towards a plan for fundraising that will include 150 100 sponsorships to be successful. In addition, she plans on setting up a bank account for anyone interested in depositing money for his cause.

She remembers her son doing quite well when he was seven, racing in the Sir Sam's snowboard race series. A coach even asked about his inclusion on a team, but she thought her son would be better served to not get into one sport until he was psychologically ready for such a commitment.

"I wanted him to get a good head on his shoulders before he actually goes for it so now that he's 18 ... he still has that same drive. He's a machine physically. He just pushes himself so hard. He just pushes himself to the limit when he is doing any sport," she said.

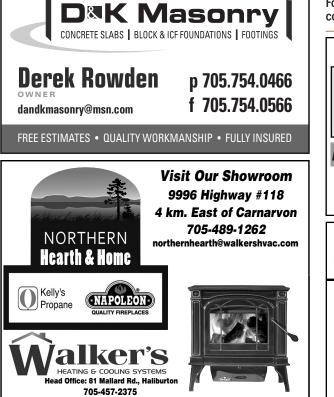
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**Darren Lum Staff** 

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Red Hawks snowboarder Greg Foster won gold at the Ontario Federation of School Athletic Association championships held at the Mansfield Ski Club on March 1. Foster is seeking sponsorship to compete at the nationals cominig up.







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The Minden Youth Curling Group had an excellent season. Submitted by Gord Sheehan

### Junior curlers go to championships in Parry Sound



Minden youth curling members were awarded for their high scores last week. Winners with their plaques and the trophy are from left Sebastien Muli, Daniel Murdoch, Zachary Williams and Dylan Garbutt. Photo submitted by Gord

The following sports briefs were paritally compiled by Judi Paul's HHSS class.

### Friday, March 2

The boys' Red Hawks hockey team was thwarted in an effort to become Kawartha champions as they were defeated by the Fenelon Falls Falcons by a score of 5-3.

### Tuesday, March 6

There was no magic to be found as the boys' Red Hawks hockey team was ousted in the COSSA semi-final game by the team from North Hastings by a score of 4-0.

### Wednesday, March 7

The Red Hawks wrestlers capped their season with a great OFSAA showing. Each wrestler had their best tournament of the season. Special mention to Zane Zondervan who finished in the top eight and Lily Coneybeare who made the podium in sixth place.

### **Bantam B girls** make championship

The Minden Car Quest Highland Storm Bantam B girls' hockey team earned a berth into the OWHA All-Ontario Championship weekend Thursday with a tie game against Clearview

see BANTAM page 30

On Thursday, March 8 the 34 Minden youth curlers completed a very successful season with a bonspiel and cele-

The 12 curlers who accumulated the most points during the regular season received medals. Congratulations to Sebastien Muli, Daniel Murdoch, Zachary Williams and Dylan Garbutt, the gold medal winners. These students will have their names inscribed on the Juniors Rock trophy, donated by Vern and Barb Gillespie. This trophy is very special because it is made from a hickory curling stone, dating from the late 1800s and used in curling games on the

Without the work of our dedicated coaches, Dave McKay, Scotty and Jane Boyd, Gord Sheehan, Royce Miller and James Baldry, this program would not be possible.

We thank them for their enthusiasm, patience and exper-

Four teams will represent our club and their schools at the Timbits Provincial Elementary School Curling Championship in Parry Sound, April 12 to 15. The teams skipped by Emma Cox, Daniel Murdoch and Sam Pilcher are from ASES, while the team skipped by Cody Williams represents

We wish them great success. Submitted by Gord Sheehan

### **Notices**



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### HHHS IS LOOKING FOR NEW DIRECTORS

Haliburton Highlands Health Services Corporation has openings for new Directors - local residents and cottage owners who are anxious to help build on the outstanding health services currently provided in the county. HHHS operates facilities in Minden and Haliburton providing emergency services, acute care and long term care. As well, HHHS provides countywide mental health, diabetes education and supportive housing

HHHS is privileged to have an outstanding team of health professionals and modern facilities. Challenges persist in attracting new staff, meeting the needs of our aging population and, anticipating and planning for the

The HHHS board strives to bring together a group of individuals with knowledge of the community. All property owners in Haliburton County are welcome to apply. HHHS is particularly interested in hearing from people with knowledge and interest in any of the following areas:

- planning and delivery of quality and accessible health services
- public relations / communications
- · business / financial management and strategic planning
- · participating on a community board

If you feel you have the time, energy and commitment to be a Director, then we would like to hear from you by **March 30, 2012**. The new Directors will be appointed at the annual general meeting in June.

For further information and an application package, please access our website at: www.hhhs.on.ca/administration & contacts / board & oversight.

Or contact: Marlene Vieira

Executive Assistant to

President & CEO and the Board of Directors, HHHS

Phone (705) 457-2527 mvieira@hhhs.on.ca



HEARING DATE: TIME: Place and address: MONDAY. MARCH 26, 2012

Municipal Council Chambers 7 Milne Street, Minden, Ontario

In the matter of Section 45 of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chpt. P. 13, as amended and in the matter of Zoning By-law No. 06-10

File No. MV A01/2012, Part Lot 24, Concession 6, Township of Lutterworth, 1126 Mystic Lane Gull lake, Applicant: Rick & Margaret SAARIMAKI
Purpose: Applicant replaced a porch on a legal non-complying cottage, and added decks for stability and overall usage. The existing cottage was located approximately five feet and therefore requires a minor variance to go closer to the normal high water mark. The existing structure including the porch was 1544.6.4.1 The reposition including the period was not provided including the period was 1544.6.4.1 The reposition including the period was 1544.6.1 The reposition included th 1,644 sq. ft. The renovation, including the replaced porch and new decks is 2,652 sq. ft. in size

he following variances are requested: . From Section 4.7.4. ii) - to construct a deck five feet from the normal high water mark.

From Section 4.7.4 v) - to construct decks, which increases the coverage of the legally non-complying building by 36.3% more than permitted.

2. From Section 4.7 4) - to construct dexis, winch increases the coverage of the legally non-compying outloing by 36.3% more train permitted.

File No. MY A02/2012, Part Lot 4, Concession 14, Township of Snowdon, 1031 Capricom Court, South Lake,
Applicant: Heather LEE

Purpose: The property is coned Shoreline Residential (SR). The applicant is proposing to demolish an existing legal noncomplying dwelling, together with various accessory buildings and replace them with one new seasonal cottage structure. The deck
of the current main building is 4.5 m (15) from the normal high water mark whereas the new deck will be 6m (19.68). The existing
structure is a one-storey 756 sq. ft. building (including deck) and the new one will be a two storey 2,400 sq. ft. building. Legal noncomplying structures are allowed to go 25% larger and 12m higher and this proposal exceeds those allowances. Also lot coverage is
a maximum of 15%. The following variances are requested:

1. From Section 4.7.4. ii) - to recognize the front yard setback of a replacement deck currently 4.5m from the normal high water mark

to 6m from the normal high water mark; 2. From Section 4.7.4 iii) - to increase the height 2.02m (6'6") higher than permitted

Form Section 4.7.4y) - to increase the coverage of the legally non-complying building by 176.5% including decks - 67.1% excluding decks.
 Form Section 5.2, Table 2 - an increase of 4.9% with respect to lot coverage
 File No. MV A03/2012, Part Lot 3, Concession A, Township of Minden 4 St. Germain Street, Village of Minden,

Angela HORNER, (Greg Bishop, Agent)
The applicant is requesting a variance to recognize that the existing buildings are located closer to the front yard than permitted. The front yard setback for a dwelling in the Residential Type One (R1) Zone is 7.5m; the exisiting house is 4.5m, the

garage is 7.4m. The following variances are requested. 1. From Section 5.2, Table 2 - 3.0m for the dwelling unit

From Section 4.1.11 - 0.1m for the garage

ANY PERSON may attend the public hearing and/or make written comments to the Township of Minden Hills either in support of, or in opposition to the proposed minor variance.

NOTICE OF DECISION - A copy of the decision of the Committee will be sent to the applicant and to each person who appeared in person or by counsel at the public hearing and who has filed with the secretary-treasurer, a written request for notice of the decision. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION regarding this application will be available for public inspection until noon on the day of the meeting at the Building and Planning Department for the Township of Minden Hills, during normal office hours.

Dated this 14th day of March, 2012 (Ms) Elinor Kernohan, AMCT, CMM, ACST Secretary-Treasurer Committee of Adjustment

### Learn how to juggle life's journey with workshop

Workshops to deal with overcoming the pitfalls of consumerism and other aspects of modern society

### **Coming Events**

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There are times when you read a book that something resonates with you so strongly that it causes you to think differently or make changes. Norm Thomas is doing just that

After reading *Lost in Transition, The Dark Side of Emerging Adulthood* by Christian Smith, Thomas decided to take action and working with a group of like-minded people they created the workshop/discussion series entitled, Juggling the Journey: Life in Transition.

In his book, Christian Smith draws on in-depth interviews with a broad cross-section of emerging adults to investigate the difficulties young people face today, the underlying causes of those difficulties and the consequences both for individuals and for Western society as a whole.

Rampant consumer capitalism, ongoing failures in education, hyper-individualism and moral pit-falls plus other aspects of Western culture are all contributing to the chaotic terrain that emerging adults must cross. Lost in Transition does not portray that problems with current society lie only with the emerging adults or their poor individual

decisions but has much deeper roots in mainstream culture - a culture which emerging adults have largely inherited rather than created.

The Minden Hills resident says life for adults is vastly different today than it was for their counterparts even a generation ago.

People are waiting longer to marry, to have children, and to choose a career direction. As a result, they enjoy more freedom, opportunities, and personal growth than ever before.

But the transition to adulthood is also more complex, disjointed, and confusing.

"Looking back to the way their parents lived and worked, these individuals see their world as disconnected from the past and as they listen to their children, they too feel disconnected," says Thomas.

This first workshop series which aims to promote self-discovery and tools for change begins March 19. Workshops will run for four consecutive Monday nights from 7 to 9 pm with rotating facilitators in the basement of the Minden United Church located at 21 Newcastle St. Topics will include relationships, work, community, values and self-identity.

While these workshops are not designed to answer the big questions of life, they will provide a forum for a directed discussion of how we might go about discovering a new way of experiencing our lives in the now," says Thomas.

For more information or to register contact jugglingthejourney@gmail.com. Information can also be gathered from the Facebook event page. - Erin Lynch

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March 13-17: Welcome to the Haliburton Highlands Museum's Old-time Maple Syrup Demonstrations. Made possible by the generous assistance of HCDC" Our Iron Kettle will be steaming away over an open fire daily March 13th - March 17th. Enjoy the trails, take in the sights and sounds of spring, roar down the toboggan hill, and check out our exhibits. For your listening enjoyment there will be live music on our stage Friday and Saturday afternoons. For more info call 705 457-2760

March 17: St. Patricks day Concert, located at West Guilford Community Centre at 7:30p.m. Donations at the door proceeds to HHHS

March 31: Gooderham United Church Easter Bake & Craft Sale 10a.m. To 3p.m. Lunch Available including Homemade soup, sandwiches deserts and beverages

- Welcome to TOPS (Taking Off Pounds Sensibly) Monday Mornings located at Community Care weigh in begins at 9:30a.m. Short meeting after call Don or Mary Jane at 705-447-2420
- Community Care Haliburton County Social Recreation (in the drop-in centre) Wii games Tuesday 9:30 a.m. noon Contract Bridge Monday 1-4 p.m. Cribbage Fridays 1 4 p.m. For any additional information call 705-457-2941 Ext. 226
- Haliburton Highlands Hand Weavers & Spinners Guild meet at the Zion United Church, Carnarvon on the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 1:30pm For more information call Marian Gillanders at 705-489-3574
- The Haliburton Highland's Rug Hookers meet every other Monday at the Minden Legion from 10-2. Learn traditional rug hooking or bring an ongoing project. Call Linda 705-447-1169 or Peggy 705-286-3387
- Help to Preserve our History with a veterans museum Wanted: British, Canadian or German WWI and WWII items Uniforms, helmets and caps and metals, photographs, shells and weapons Please do not donate money. Items broken or in part are welcome. Contact Martin Hofland at 705-457-2382
- Minden Food Bank is in desperate need of more volunteers. For any one interested they can call the Food Bank from 9-4 pm on Mondays and Wednesdays or by emailing us at mindencommunityfoodbank@bellnet.ca . Thanks in advance for your assistance.
- Royal Canadian Legion Minden Branch 636 will be hosting a musical performance by The Kellett Family on Saturday, March 3 from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.. The afternoon includes 'Open Mic' time for anyone that want to take

the stage and there will be meat draws with tickets purchased at the event. The public is invited to join us at the intersection of Hwy #35 and County Road #21.

- Royal Canadian Legion Minden Branch 636 is looking for volunteers to help out in the branch kitchen. If you can spare a few hours each week to help the Legion continue their support to the community and the membership please call the branch at 705-286-4541. It will be much appreciated.
- SMART Seniors Maintaining Active Roles Together is a safe, gentle exercise program to maintain strength, balance and flexibility. \$2 per session. In Minden Tuesdays at 1:30 p.m. in Hyland Crest auditorium. Thursdays in Haliburton at Echo Hills at 1:00pm. To register call Carol at 705-286-2500 ext. 265 or Melanie Therrien (VON) at 800-743-6255 ex 6451
- TOASTMASTERS meet at the Minden United Church Wednesdays at 7pm Everyone Welcome ages 18 80. What is TOASTMASTERS? Visit www.toastmasters.org
- Volunteer Recruitment: Community Care City of Kawartha Lakes Health and Support Services is currently recruiting volunteers Training provided. Contact Eileen MacCormack, 705-324-7323, ext. 274 or emaccormack@community-care.on.ca.
- The Minden Food Bank is in need of more volunteers. For any one interested they can call the Food Bank from 9-4 pm on Mondays and Wednesdays or by emailing us at mindencommunityfoodbank@bellnet.ca . Thanks in advance for your assistance.

Events listings are provided **FREE for non-profit groups on a space-available basis**. While we endeavour to accommodate requests for publication, we cannot guarantee that all requests for listings will appear. Requests should be emailed to jmceathron@mindentimes.ca or brought in to the office.

Please submit events by the Wednesday prior to the requested publication date.

**NOTE:** This calendar is not a comprehensive listing of all events taking place in the area. Please check the classified pages, display advertising and articles appearing elsewhere in the Echo for more information on events in the Highlands. For more Ongoing Community Events please see the Weekender.

## Take a March Break with activities in Kinmount



**Patti Fleury** Around the Town

705-488-2938 brucefleury1@hotmail.com

Over this weekend the dining room table has disappeared under craft projects in preparation for the annual children's March Break program at the Kinmount Community Centre sponsored by the Kinmount and Area Artisans Guild. While usually I try to write this column sharing some humourous anecdotes about life here at the old farmhouse this time while paper crafting my thoughts are of two young girls, Tori and Miriam, who should be safe at their own homes looking

forward to the school holidays. One lost her life to pure evil and the other it appears to profound sadness.

The young cat Jake has a paper fetish which does not make my task any easier. Paper plate owls designed to hang in windows to detract birds from a collision are scattered about. This project is an idea from one of the Earth Day websites. Apparently it is not the actual image of the hanging but the visual block that acts as a deterrent. Back in my hospital days one of our therapists had a major problem with birds hitting her large front window until she moved her colourful bubble gum machine away from the glass out of a bird's eye view.

St. Patrick's Day is just around the corner so pull out your greens and get ready for the dance at the Kinmount Legion Branch 441 on Saturday, March 17 at 8 p.m. It's a bargain at only \$5 which includes the dance with DJ, luncheon and prizes plus a special contest for those wearing the green. Non members are most welcome to join in the fun at this age of majority event. Also coming up at the branch will be "Big Bucks Bid Euchre" on Wednesday, March 21 at 11 a.m. with a \$10.00 fee which includes lunch. Then for Bingo fans head out at 6:45 pm. on Friday, March 23 for a special "Easter

Bingo" with great prizes of hams, turkeys, cash and a \$500 must go jackpot.

Fenelon Falls United Church will also be celebrating by hosting an Irish Night this Friday, March 16 at the Seniors Centre, 58 Murray St, Fenelon Falls starting at 6 p.m. There will be a special dinner menu, cash bar and theme entertainment plus Irish coffee. For this age of majority event the cost per person is \$30 with tickets available at Fenelon Home Hardware, the Emporium or give the church office a call at

The Kinmount Library has been a busy spot with regular activities plus special March Break events including this Thursday, March 15 when the Kids on the Block puppets will pay a visit at 11 a.m. For great book bargains drop by the lower level of the Branch on Saturday, March 17 between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. for the monthly Friends of the Library Book Sale.Donations of books, both hard and soft cover, are always welcome and can be dropped off in the marked bin but please no magazines, texts or encyclopedia sets. Funds raised by the Sale help with projects at the library such as the outdoor Reading Garden.

Maxine Marr from Irondale called to invite euchre players to their Wednesday card night at the Community Centre. Starting at 7 p.m. play is not limited to euchre and the cost of \$2 includes refreshments.

Community Care, City of Kawartha Lakes Health and Support Services, hosts an adult day service program at the Burnt River Community Centre on Wednesdays from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Designed to help seniors, people with special needs and also offer respite for caregivers the program provides a wide range of activities, lunch and snacks. The cost is \$15 day with the first visit free of charge. Transportation is available at reasonable rates and for further details please call Community Care at 705-324-7323/340-3278.

Until next week . . .

### Try out Tai Chi



Melissa Alfano

**Dorset News** 

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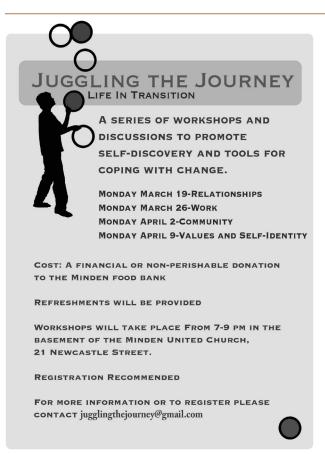
There will be a foot clinic at the Dorset Recreation Centre on Wednesday, March 14 with advance appointments made by calling Joy at 705-766-1418.

Tai Chi classes start this Friday from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. at the Dorset Recreation Centre. Classes are \$5 per person per

see RIBBON page 26

### **Coming Events**









### Ribbon-cutting ceremony in April

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class and are geared to adults ages 55 and up, although all are welcome. Registration is required. Please call the Recreation Centre at 705-766-9968 to sign up.

Dorset Community Choir meets at the Dorset Recreation Centre on Monday, March 19 from 1:30 to 3:00 p.m. and all are welcome. For more information, contact Susan at 705-766-1973.

The ninth annual Ukrainian Easter egg workshop takes place at the Dorset Recreation Centre on Saturday, March 24 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. All ages 10 and up are welcome. Materials, instruction and snacks are provided. The cost is \$5 per person and registration is required by March 19 as space is limited - first come first serve. Please email drc@ algonquinhighlands.ca or call 705-766-9968.

Here is an update from the March 5 Community Partnership Group meeting in Dorset from Sarah Coombs: "The Dorset community is welcome to attend a ribbon cutting

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**Evelyn Fenwick, Human Resources** efenwick@county.haliburton.on.ca

ceremony for the newly built Colebridge Park and Cedar Narrows Park on April 21. The hard working volunteers and generous businesses who donated materials for the construction and beautification of these parks, will be honoured starting at 11 a.m. at the Colebridge Park playground (kiddie corner to the recreation centre) and then at the town docks for the grand opening of Cedar Narrows Park.

The grand prize draw for the Cheer For a Year fundraiser will also take place at the celebration. One lucky person will win their choice of \$1,800 in gift cards to the Beer/Liquor Store (redeemable across Ontario) or \$1,500 in cash! Proceeds go to Community Projects in Dorset and tickets are only \$20. Contact Barb Townes at 705-766-2108 or Donna Keul at 705-766-9253 for more information.

Items of discussion at the meeting include an update on the need for a nurse practitioner's station in the area and the status of submissions of drawings for Dorset's Gateway

Herb Hickling, of the Health Care Committee, gave a presentation entitled "Bringing Health Care Services Close to Home" which reviewed highlights of the Health Care Needs Study recently completed by the District of Muskoka. Respondents clearly reflected a need for health care services closer to Dorset to serve its residents, as well as residents in the adjoining communities. The district of Muskoka's heath care study results can be viewed by visiting https://muskoka.civicweb.net/Documents/DocumentList.aspx?ID=18249, or by calling the District of Muskoka.

Clint McKay of Dorset's Gateway Sign Committee gave an update of concepts and drawings received from the public. Ideas are still being accepted. The committee will weigh all options, but are leaning toward designs made mostly with rock/stone to minimize maintenance costs. For more information or to submit an idea, call Donna Keul at Algonquin Highlands' township office at 705-766-2211.

The next Community Planning meeting is April 16 at 7 p.m. at the Dorset Recreation Centre. See you there!"

Birthday wishes for the week of March 11 to 17 go out to Meghan Allore, Emma MacKay, Doug Armstrong and happy belated 92nd birthday to Mel Bartman.

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### Thanks folks



### **Gina Atkinson**

Stanhope Life

705-489-2008 pinereflections@sympatico.ca

As I write this I must say that my bones are still hurting for all the dancing I did at last Saturday's Community Living dance we held at the Carnarvon Bowl and Restaurant. Jamie Bacon played a selection of music that made sitting impossible. Well . . . I'm paying the price - but it was worth

With me it is either feast or famine where exercise is concerned.

On behalf of the rest of the Board of Directors and staff of Community Living Haliburton I would like to thank all the folks who came out and supported this worthy cause. We are getting closer to our goal of purchasing a much needed vehicle for people who are counting on us. This vehicle will be used for them to work in the community, attend appointments and get them back and forth to events such as Special Olympics.

We had an array of great silent auction items courtesy of local businesses which made our fundraising even more successful. We even had out of town donations from the Sony Centre of the Performing Arts in Toronto and Casino Rama.

The generosity of local business is always appreciated and I know personally how many times they get asked for contribution!

Anyways, we raised money, we had fun, and we even got closer to our goal so it was all GOOD!

Look for more information regarding our next dance on

Also coming up is the Relay for Life and I am busy reorganizing my team for the Relay for Life again. Yes, the Pine Reflections "Bloomers" will be doing their part to raise money to fund services and programs in our community. We all know someone that is a survivor or is fighting this

So with that in mind we are looking for more team members. This year the dates are June 8 & 9th. starting at 7 p.m. Friday to 7 a.m. Saturday and believe me its tiring but so worth it. This will be the fourth year that I have done the relay and I will always remember the first year as the hardest. I personally wasn't ready for this challenge and going into work on the Saturday wasn't the brightest thing I have

If you would like to join our team please phone or email me and if you want to donate I will gladly accept.



#### SCHOOL'S COOL INSTRUCTORS

### SIRCH Community Services is looking for 4-6 instructors

for our 2012 School's Cool summer programs. Programs will run (based on registration) in Cardiff and Haliburton or Minden. If you have experience/education in early child development, teaching or another related field this is an opportunity for you. Interested applicants should have access to personal transportation and be able to begin training by the end of June. Position will run from end of June to middle of August 2012.

Please send your resume to <a href="mailto:schoolscool@sirch.on.ca">schoolscool@sirch.on.ca</a> or mail to:

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The Health Centre is one of the region's largest employers, with a staff of 2,000, 350 physicians with privileges and more than 600 volunteers. Together they serve a population of more than 300,000 people in four counties, with a budget currently approaching

#### As a Community Member at Large you will:

- Attend and be a voting member on one of
- the Board's Standing Committees Augment the skill set available to support
- the work of the Board's Standing Committees: Be eligible to attend the public sessions
- of the Board of Directors' meetings.
- Be eligible for candidacy for nomination to the Board of Directors

### As a Board Member you will:

- · Govern the affairs of the corporation in line with best practices in the sector.
- Determine the Health Centre's vision. mission and values.
- Develop and update an ongoing strategic planning framework and ensure that all decisions are made in accordance with the plan.
- Review and approve PRHC's Annual Operating Plan.
- Provide oversight to quality of care.
- Foster regional relationships needed for seamless care.
- Have the abilities, qualifications & skills to achieve the potential of the hospital

#### How to Apply:

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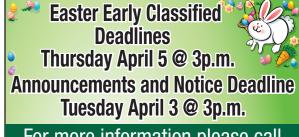
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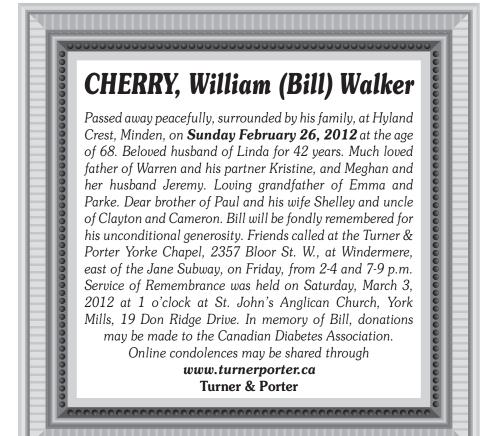
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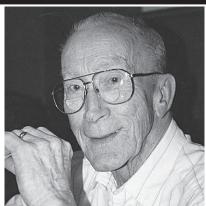


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### Bantam B girls tie games

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Ice Kats. The Storm girls won their provincial play-down best of three (four point) series versus Clearview four points to two with a 1-1 tie game. The girls are peaking at the right time and plying some of their best play-off hockey. The 1-1 tie followed a 0-0 tie on Wednesday, the previous night in Haliburton where Connor Marsden earned the shut-out in the scoreless tie. Thursday, March 8, the Storm girls travelled to Nattawasaga to play game three of their best of three series. The Highland squad needed a win or a tie to advance to championship weekend on April 13, 14 and 15. Clearview opened the scoring mid-way through the first period on a power play goal in a goalmouth scramble. The teams battled hard the remainder of the game and following a Storm time-out with 1:34 left on the clock, a face-off in the Ice Kat end and the Storm goalie pulled ... Sydney Feir jammed home a lose puck with 17.5 seconds left on the game clock. The tie gave the Minden Car Quest "Don Cherry muckers" the fourth point needed to win the series. Strong goaltending, stingy "trio" (and tireless) defence by Kenndal Marsden, Jamie Little and Maddie Allore along with forward contingent of grinders made the difference in this character (series winning effort) tie game effort by the Highland Storm Bantam B girls' hockey team. Stay focused girls as we prepare for the OWHA All-Ontario Championship weekend in April.

Submitted by Dan Marsden

### Bantam Storm AEs advance to finals

The Bantam Storm sponsored by Dave's Landscaping/McKee Security entered the weekend with their OMHA semi-final series verses Brighton tied at one game apiece. Both teams opened up cautiously. Our home team gradually began to take control of the game and the visitors responded by icing the puck at every opportunity. The Storm opened the scoring when Brenden McKee outfought two Brighton players in the corner and got the puck to Jaydon Wood who in turn fed Kyle Lavergne with a perfect pass across the crease which he quickly buried it into the empty net. Wood scored next as he picked up a rebound of a Ryan Edwards shot and beat the goalie with a hard, accurate wrist shot to the top corner. The Braves got one back with 20 seconds left in the period.

The second period was a hard hitting affair as Brighton looked to take control of the series by using their size advantage to intim-

idate the smaller team. The Storm however answered the bell and responded with a punishing brand of hockey that had the penalty boxes full and Brighton rethinking their strategy. Josh Rowden scored the only goal of the period as he went hard to the net and poked home a pass from Lucas Esson with Wood picking up another assist. The rough stuff continued into the third period and once more the Storm were up to the challenge. Hunter Bishop scored off the face off as he took control, skated across the crease and slipped the puck between the goalkeeper's legs. Brenden McKee finished off the scoring for the night with Caleb Schmidt and Jaydon Wood, with his fourth point of the night, drawing the assists. Austin McKay took the win with a solid effort in between the pipes.

The Storm went to Brighton on Saturday looking to finish off the series but unfortunately it was not to be. In another rough and tumble affair Brighton scored two power play goals in the first period and rode that lead to a 2-1 victory. Hunter Bishop had the only goal for the Storm, tipping in an Angus Sullivan point shot. Sunday's deciding game was destined to be a barn burner as neither team was willing to back down. With another large crowd at the Haliburton arena it was Brighton who opened the scoring to deflate the home team and home town fans. Down one to nothing in the first Brenden McKee scored in tight on a great feed from behind the net by Kyle Lavergne, with Lucas Esson drawing the second assist. Brighton scored at the 9:59 mark to take the lead once more but Hunter Bishop tied it up with Ryan Edwards and Jaydon Wood assisting.

With the score tied at two, and a berth in the OMHA finals on the line, the third period produced the most intense moments of the year to date. With less than three minutes left in the game Kyle Lavergne sent Brenden McKee away on a one-on-two break. McKee, with the heart and determination that characteristically describes his play was not to be denied. He burst through the two defenders, who in an attempt to contain him could only haul him down, and yet from his knees he managed to sweep the puck through the goalie's legs and send the fans into a state of frenzy. Brighton pulled their goalie and Hunter Bishop, with Lavergne assisting, scored into the empty net to ice the game. The Braves scored once more but the Storm hung on for the victory. Austin McKay was the winning goalie. The Bantam Storm now face Tavistock in the OMHA finals with the schedule yet to be determined.

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5 Lake Chain! \$479,000

- · Waterfront home with easy year round access Full finished basem · Maintenance free siding
  - Amazing view and close to town Tom Gardner 286-2138 x 30



**Kushog Lake Year Round** 

. 141 feet of rippled sand entry shoreline

Large private lot and attached 2+ garage

2235 total square feet workshops

Dagmar Boettcher 489-9968

Bob Lake \$310,000 3 bedroom cottage

· open concept design

many recent renovations

· Lovely private setting

David Lee 286-2138 x 27

4+bedrooms and 2 baths built in 1974

Blairhampton Rd. Vacant Lot \$39,000

- Located between Minden and Haliburton. . Year round municipal road
- Very private well treed lot with good building sites . Driveway in, hydro and telephone service at lot







- 3 bdrms, 1-4pc-2 piece ensuite
- Level lot easy access 4 season
- 1200 sq ft, fireplace, open concept
  Lg eat in kitchen, comes furnished

loria Carnochan & Cindy Muenzel 754-1932



3 Lake Chain! \$219,000

- · 3 bed. 4 season cottage on a 3 lake chain · Level lot, easy year round access
- Sand shoreline with large dock · Partial basement with laundry facilities
- Peter Franzen 286-2138 x 52



Beautiful Little Redstone Lake \$479,000

- SW exp., 151' shoreline on .75 acre lot approx 1200 sq ft with 3 BR, 1.5 bath,
- winterized water, 4 season cottage

· hardwood floors, newer appliances Mark Dennys 457-2128 x 30



### Little Glamor Lake!

- 2 lots to choose from @\$194 900 each
- 154' frontage & 160' frontage · Sunny southern exposure for all day sun
- Well treed, gentle slope, private

Kim Stamp 457-2128 x 24



Big Bob Lake \$329,000

Private 150 ft and 1.08 acre natural lot

Cedar exterior and open concept

3 bedrooms and 1 bath plus fireplace

· Adiacent lots, level, nicely wooded

Easy year round access, close to both Haliburton or Minder

• Over an acre offered at \$18,500

Over 4 acres offered at \$29,800.

Wilfred VanLieshout - 457-2128x 27

Wenona Lake Deeded Access \$139,000

2 bedroom 1 bath home on a pretty country lot

· Vinyl siding, metal roof, paved driveway,

· Master bedroom walkout to screened in porch

Deeded access to beautiful Wenona Lake close by

Greg Stamp 457-2128 x 28

Shadow Lake Executive \$825,000

- Custom designed, 4 + bedrooms, furnished · Granite fireplace, west exposure, sand beach • 3 bay garage, rec hall w/loft, 2 BR boat house
- · Great year round access, ideal family property Tom Ecclestone 286-2138 x 26

Wenona Lake Access \$149,900 Spacious 2BR cottage with sunroom

Awesome deeded access with sand beach

· Drilled well with heated line

Year round Municipal road access

Susanne James & Andy Mosher 457-2128 x 33





### Sun, Sand & Privacy

 4 BR. 3 Baths. Full Fin. bsmt. · Level lot. Great Privacy

Karen Nimigon 457-2128 x 29



A Home In The Country \$193,000

• Country home, close to public access to Kushog Lake.

3 bedrooms, 2 baths, open concept

• newer windows, kitchen, flooring, and appliances

large level lot

Tom Wilkinson 286-2138 x 25

### Eagle Lake Area \$43,000

· easy, year-round access close to amenities and Eagle Lake public access

Andrea Wilson 457-2128 x 25



South Lake Home/Cottage \$349,000

- 3 BR Open Concept, MF laundry, Ig deck . Full fin bsmt; w/o; sunroom & hot tub
- Woodstove with stone finishing; air cond.

· Private, level lot; dbl det garage; great view Denise LeBlanc 286-2138 x 23

Connected





- Renovated 2 Bedrooms/1 Ba · Partial Basement, New Drilled Well
- Energy Audit Completed

 Att'd Garage, & Sep. Workshop, 2.3 Acres Melanie Vigrass 286-2138 x 32



- . New furnace: newer roof & FP

- Great community close to Minden Andrew Hodgson 286-2138 x 29

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